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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 10, 2002, within 3 months, the present response is accompanied by a request for a 2 month extension of time, pursuant to MPEP 710.02(e), and 37 CFR §1.7, extending the period of response from February 10, 2002 to April